

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Hastings et al

Application Serial No.: 09/466,7

Filed: December 20, 1999

For: **Novel Hyaluronan-Binding
Proteins and Encoding Genes**



Art Unit: 1655

Examiner: Einsmann, J.

Attorney Docket No.: PF487

RECEIVED
FEB 26 2001
TECH CENTER 1600/2900

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.56

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

S I R:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 to inform the Patent and Trademark Office of all references coming to the attention of each individual associated with the filing or prosecution of the subject application, which are or may be material to the patentability of a claim of the subject application, Attorneys for Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to the references AA-AC listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08. Copies of references AA-AC are enclosed.

Identification of the listed references is not to be construed an admission of any individual associated with the filing or prosecution of the subject application that such references are available as "prior art" against the subject application. Furthermore, Applicants do not waive any rights to appropriate action to establish patentability over any of the listed documents should they be applied as references against the claims of the subject application.

The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office can determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. See 37 CFR 1.104(a) and 1.106(b) concerning the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be considered during the prosecution of this application.

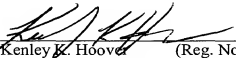
Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the listed references and that the references be made of record in the file history of the application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), since this information disclosure statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, no fee is due

in connection herewith. However, should the Patent Office determine otherwise,
please charge such fee to our Deposit Account No. 08-3425.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: February 29, 2001


Kenley K. Hoover (Reg. No. 40,302)
Attorney for Applicants

Human Genome Sciences, Inc.
9410 Key West Avenue
Rockville, MD 20850
(301) 610-5771 (phone)

KKH/ba

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box ☐ +

PTO/SB/08A (10-96)
Approved for use through 10/31/99. OMB 0651-0031
Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. Department of Commerce

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO		Complete If Known	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IN AN APPLICATION (use as many sheets as necessary)		Application Number	09/466,778
		Filing Date	December 20, 1999
		First Named Inventor	Hastings et al.
		Group Art Unit	1655
		Examiner Name	Einsmann, J.
Sheet 1 of 1	Attorney Docket Number	PF487	

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials	Cite No. ¹	U.S. Patent Document Number	Kind Code ² (if known)	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	AA	5,635,370		HOCKFIELD, et al.	06-03-97	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
Examiner Initials	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document Office ³	Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶

OTHER REFERENCES - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published	T ⁶
	AB	DAY, "The structure and regulation of hyaluronan-binding proteins," Biochemical Society Transactions, 27(2):115-121 (1999)	
	AC	KNUDSON, et al., "Hyaluronan-binding proteins in development, tissue homeostasis, and disease," The FASEB Journal, 7(13):1233-1241 (1993)	

Examiner	Date Considered
----------	-----------------

Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Unique citation designation number. ² See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIP Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231.